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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

A mail pouch containing $100,000 of negotiable paper, etc., stolen at a railroad depot, Detroit, Mich. —— The vessel ashore near Miami, Fla., was the British steamer Homeric, with cotton; she was floated and towed to Key West. —— The firecest storm in years is prevailing on the English coast; many wrecks and great loss of life is reported. —— The State Department has received nothing from Minister Conger to indicate that the Chinese Emperor opposes acceptance of the peace terms. —— The British yeomanry captured by Boers have been released. —— DeWet is reported to be holding his position in Cape Colony. —— Count Waldersee reports more expeditions by the allies. —— Queen Wilhelmina's marriage is set for February 7th. —— A blizzard is raging in Colorado. —— Lord Roberts arrived at Gibraltar. —— In a duel between two gamblers in a cafe, New York, one of the combatants was shot in the leg, one bystander was killed and another fatally wounded. —— Negro lynched in Perry county, Ala. —— N. Y. markets: Money on call firm at 3@6 per cent., the last loan being at 3 per cent.; cotton dull, middling uplands 10 5-16c; flour was steadier with wheat; wheat—spot firm, No. 2 red 79c; corn—spot steady, No. 2 45½c; oats—spot steady; rosin steady; spirits turpentine quiet at 39@39½c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 28.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 50 degrees; 8 P. M., 55 degrees; maximum, 60 degrees; minimum, 50 degrees; mean, 55 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .01; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 3.96 inches.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—For North Carolina—Fair; much colder Saturday; Sunday fair; fresh northerly winds.

Port Almanac—December 29.

Sun Rises	7.10 A. M.
Sun Sets	4.54 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H. 44 M.
High Water at Southport	1.23 A. M.
High Water Wilmington	3.53 A. M.

It isn't safe for fellows to go around in Iowa now lugging big bags of gold. They are liable to be picked up as Cudahy kidnappers.

A Nebraska man recently on a wager sucked seventy-two eggs in eleven minutes. That fellow must be an Illinois man, a born "Sucker."

According to Statistician Mulhall this is the richest nation on earth, worth over $100,000,000,000. Individually we are not putting on scollops over that.

The microbe is not without friends. Professor Norton says most of them are good and the shortcoming of the others very much exaggerated.

Tom Reed's definition of a Trust is "a body of very rich men entirely surrounded by water." In point of wit there was no water-haul about that.

The Emperor of Germany was somewhat too previous in sending that bottle of Jordan river water to Queen Wilhelmina, of Holland; but it will keep.

The American Express Company did the clever thing with its 30,000 employes on Christmas day. It presented each one of them with a brand new $5 gold piece.

The deepest coal shaft in France is 3,390 feet deep, where coal was struck exactly at the point figured on by the engineer. The mine is supplied with air by electric fans.

It may be incidentally remarked that 43 new mills for Georgia, 41 for North Carolina and 33 for South Carolina, for this year, is not a bad showing. These three lead the whole procession.

A crude rubber Trust has been organized, with a capital of $10,000,000, to control the stock of raw material. There is nothing too crude or too refined to escape these Trust fellows.

There are four of the Cudahy boys. Their father came to this country from Ireland and worked as a day laborer in Milwaukee. The boys went into the meat business, attended to it, and now employ 3,000 men and are worth $15,000,000.

The Parisians learned lots of things while the Americans were over there attending their exposition. A poor fruit dealer struck on the cute device of offering a 5 franc prize for the finest apple sent him. In a little while he had his store stocked with choice apples at a total cost of one dollar, and he got lots of free advertising besides.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The joint installation of Pythian officers will be held in the hall of Germania lodge Thursday night.

— The British steamer *Buckminster*, from Bremen, arrived yesterday to Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son.

— The steamer *Johnson* arrived in port yesterday from Clear Run with about 350 barrels tar and rosin, consigned to Wilmington merchants.

— Owing to the continued illness of his wife, the Rev. Dr. J. M. Wells will again not be able to preach at the First Presbyterian Church on to morrow as expected.

— C. D. Maffitt, grocer and ship chandler, advertises 5,000 Porto Rico oranges for immediate sale in any quantity. They are very fine and will be sold at reasonable figures.

— Mr. W. J. Reaves, for fifteen years foreman of the wood working department of the Wilmington Iron Works, resigned his position yesterday to devote his whole time to his store, No. 17 South Second street.

— Rev. R. F. Bumpass will leave to day for Newbern to formally take up his work as pastor of Centenary M. E. Church of that city. His family will join him Monday. Rev. R. B. John is expected with his family next week.

— Watch-night services are being arranged for by the congregations of Grace and Fifth Street Methodist churches, to be held next Monday upon the passing of the old year and the entering of the new year and new century.

— Miss Lillie Everette gave a delightful musicale at her home on South Third street Thursday evening in compliment to many of her young friends. The residence was beautifully decorated and a most enjoyable season was spent by those present.

— The Florence *Times* of December 26th announces that Capt. J. P. Russell, of that city, has been made chief clerk in the office of the general manager of the Atlantic Coast Line and will move, with his family, to Wilmington about January 1st.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

C. D. Maffitt—Oranges.
A. C. L.—Dividend notice.
J. W. Murchison & Co.—Plows.
Geo. R. French & Sons—We delight.
Wilmington Savings and Trust Co.—Statement.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

A. Silverman—Reward $35.00.
For Sale—Horse, surry, buggy.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Miss Nellie Plummer is visiting friends in Maxton, N. C.

— Mr. T. Parsons, of Boston, is the guest of Mr. Fred Kidder.

— Mr. J. H. Hinton returned last night from Rocky Mount.

— Mr. French McQueen, of Lumberton, is spending the holidays in the city.

— Mrs. Thomas McDonald and son returned last night from Petersburg.

— Misses Mary and Ellie Smith, of Rocky Mount, arrived last evening to visit friends.

— Miss Mattie Strauss is the guest of her sister, Mrs. John L. Barringer, at Florence.

— Mr. Gower Crosswell, of Norfolk, arrived in the city last evening to visit relatives.

— Miss Amelia L. Brunhild, of Philadelphia, arrived last night to visit Mr. and Mrs. I. L. Greenewald.

— Messrs. Henry Peschau and John Hill Bunting went to Newbern yesterday to witness the foot ball game.

— Mrs. M. J. Burke, of Goldston, Chatham county, who has been visiting her son, Mr. J. T. Burke, for several months, returned home yesterday.

— Rev. R. H. Cline, of Cherryville, N. C., is the guest of the family of Mr. A. G. Warren. He will occupy the pulpit of St. Paul's Lutheran Church to-morrow evening.

Rice Mill Property Sold.

The sale of the Wilmington plant of the National Rice Milling Company on Chesnut street, to Mr. Adolph Oettinger, of New York, for $10,000 cash and other considerations of the value of $15,000, was consummated yesterday through George Rountree, Esq., counsel for the vendor. While the deed is made out to Mr. Oettinger, it is learned that Mr. H. Weill, of Goldsboro, is back of the sale. The mill will in the future be conducted by the same management as that one at Goldsboro, but itis given out that there will be no removal of the plant from Wilmington.

Odam's Condition.

The condition of young Jno. Odam, at the City Hospital, was somewhat improved this morning when an inquiry was made of the nurses in attendance, but it is believed that he is not yet out of danger. He is rational at times yet and takes some nourishment. The hearing of young Barr, charged with inflicting the wound which has nearly cost Odam his life, will be held next week.

Mr. F. P. Lamb has the agency for the Foster apple cider, made in Pennsylvania and shipped direct from the Foster farm. This cider has an established reputation for purity and the demand for it is constantly increasing.

HOLIDAY EXERCISES.

Delightful Entertainments by Several Sunday Schools Last Evening.

ALL LARGELY ATTENDED.

The Weather Was Not So Favorable, But Many Little Children and Older Ones, Too, Had Their Hearts Made Glad.

The excitement is so intense and outdoor events so numerous on Christmas eve and the few nights immediately following that most of the Sunday schools of the Wilmington churches postpone their yule-tide entertainments, Christmas tree exercises, etc., until later in the holiday season. The number of these events this year has been much larger than usual, evidencing, perhaps, a truer realization of the real Christmas spirit, and last night appeared to have been a general favorite with most of the organizations for on this occasion several really creditable and commendable entertainments were given.

The following is a brief general summary of the exercises by the various schools:

GRACE METHODIST SUNDAY SCHOOL.

The Christmas entertainment by Grace Methodist Sunday School was held at the City Hall and an evening of genuine pleasure and enjoyment was spent by all who were present, both young and old, but especially by members of the Sunday school. The hall was magnificently decorated with flags, red, white and blue draperies and beautiful Christmas trees laden with splendid ornaments and gifts. There was no special programme and the children had a big frolic.

In one corner of the hall a place was set aside for fishing. Each pupil of the school was allowed to fish for a few seconds. The hooks were baited with tickets and they never failed to pull out a present. Four hundred presents were given away. Ice cream, cake and peanuts were served in abundance.

The entertainment was held under the direct supervision of Mr. W. B. Cooper, the Sunday school superintendent. He was ably assisted by the following ladies; Mrs. W. W. Hodges, in charge of refreshments; Mrs. J. F. Garrell, in charge of decorations; Mrs. W. H. Shaw, in charge of presents.

IMMANUEL PRESBYTERIAN SUNDAY SCHOOL.

The exercises by the Sunday school of Immanuel Presbyterian Church last night were very interesting and the Sunday school room was packed to its utmost capacity. The decorations were very pretty and appropriate. The following programme was rendered in a creditable manner:

Song, "Angels from the Realms of Glory," by the school.
"Christmas Carol," by the boys.
"Pail Song," by Miss Bonitz's class.
Song, "There is a Song in the Air," by the school.
Song, "Glory to God in the Highest," by Miss Bonitz's class.
Song, "Hark, Hark My Soul," by school.

A Christmas play, entitled the "House of Santa Claus," followed. It was much enjoyed. After a few remarks by the pastor, Rev. E. E. Lane, gifts were distributed among all the children.

The following ladies were in charge of the entertainment: Misses Maggie Smith, Emma Savage, Berlie Forshee, Sallie Ennett, Nan Huggins, Florence Bonitz, Maggie Wood, Sallie Lane, Margaret Lane, Clara Woodward and Clara Belle Van Dyke.

CHAPEL OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD.

A very pleasing programme, consisting of Christmas carols and hymns, was rendered last evening at the hall of the Chapel of the Good Shepherd by the children of the Sunday school. After these Rev. Frederick H. T. Horsfield, rector of St. James' church, made a very interesting address. Presents were then distributed to the 130 children of the Sunday school from a lovely Christmas tree. The entertainment was given under the direction of Mr. J. H. Boatwright, superintendent of the school.

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH.

The annual entertainment by the Sunday school of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church last night was of its usual high order and measure of enjoyment for the little folks and others who attended.

The entertainment was in Luther Memorial Building, corner Sixth and Princess streets, and despite the unfavorable weather conditions, there was a large attendance. The following programme was delightfully rendered:

Song, No. 188.
Introit.
Gloria.
Prayer, by Rev. Dr. Voigt.
Song, No. 184.
Reading, Scripture.
Song, by Primary Class.
Song, No. 113.
Recitation, "At Christmas," by John Schuliken.
Recitation, "The Song of the Angels," by Clara Voigt.
Song, by Primary Class.
Song, No. 89.
Recitation, "Christmas Cheer," by Lina Bowell, Augusta Geischen, Fannie Stolter, Louise Fick, Louise Klander, Ruth Vollers, Alice Miller.
Recitation, "Herod," by Nic. Hullen.
Recitation, "Jesus Our Strength," etc., by Henry Gerdes, Fred. Fick, Willie Bellois, Robert Counts, Henry Haar.
Song, No. 35.
Address, by Dr. Voigt, the pastor.
Song, No. 189.
Lighting the Tree and Distribution of Gifts to the Children.
Benediction.

SECOND ADVENT SUNDAY SCHOOL.

The programme rendered at the Christmas exercises of the Second Advent Sunday School was composed of delightful musical selections and recitations. It was as follows:

Song, "My Country 'Tis of Thee," by Mrs. J. D. James, Mrs. Charles Grant, Mr. Wm. Britain and Mr. J. D. James.
Song, (selected) by Woody King.
Recitation, "Christmas," by Maggie Williams.
Song, "Find the Wanderer," by quarrette.
Song, "Happy Band," by "Busy Bees," (twenty little girls.)
Recitation, "Don't be Weary," by Miss Flossie Walton.
Recitation, "Heathen Lands," by Miss Lydie Carier.
Recitation, "Old Friends," by Miss Minnie King.
Recitation, (selected) by Miss Minnie Sanford.
Recitation, "Prejudice," by Miss Mary Smith.
Recitation, "Our Savior's Meal," by Miss Nellie Cumber.
Song, "God is Love," by Misses Sion King, Sirena and Mary Smith.
Recitation, "Idol Gods," by Percy King.
Song, "Daniel's Band," by "Busy Bees."
Song, "Ten Virgins," by ten young ladies.
Selections by choir.
Dialogue, "The Church and the World," by Misses Mary Harvey, Annie Smith, Gracie King and Sion King.
Song, "Good Old Way," by choir.
Living pictures—
(1) "Faith, Hope and Charity," by Miss Mamie Harvey, Mary Smith and Ellen Cumber. (2) "Evening Prayer," by three young ladies and three children. (3) "Sleeping Beauty," Miss Mamie Harvey and little Miss Annie King. (4) "Rock of Ages," three young ladies.
"Old Santa Claus," impersonated by Mr. B. G. Baldwin, was then introduced and about three hundred gifts were taken from the Christmas tree and distributed among the children.

Special prizes were awarded to Misses Annie Walker, Minnie Sanford and Gracie King for good attendance and scholarship.

The entertainment was arranged by Elder J. T. King and Sunday School Superintendent C. T. Green.

GERMAN LAST NIGHT.

Given by L'Elite Cotillon Club in Masonic Temple Ball Room.

L'Elite Cotillon Club gave a very pretty german in the Masonic Temple last night. It was led by Mr. Geo. P. James. The following couples participated:

Miss Isabel Black, Mr. Henry McMillan; Miss Mary Black, Mr. Willie Emerson; Miss Mildred Davis, Mr. Thos. D. Meares, Jr.; Miss Julia Parsley, Mr. Zack Bell; Miss Ida Brown, Mr. Willie Watters; Miss Julia Harriss, Mr. Pierre Holmes, Miss Jennie Burbank, Mr. Geo. D. Parsley, Jr.; Miss Janie Williams, Mr. E. P. Bailey, Jr.; Miss Louise Bellamy, Mr. Strudwick Nash; Miss Edwina Williams, Athens, Mr. Eugene LeGrand; Miss Ellie Williams, Red Springs, Mr. Frank Harriss; Miss Emma Worthington, Mr. T. B. Pierce, Jr., Warsaw; Miss Nellie McMillan, Mr. Harry West; Miss Elliott Emerson, Mr. Burke Bridgers; Miss Nellie Emerson, Mr. Milton Calder; Miss Bessie Gore, Mr. Willie Peck; Miss Annie Harlowe, Mr. Horace M. Emerson, Jr.; Miss Isabel Rountree, Mr. Henry Short; Miss Nessie Cotchett, Mr. Tom Farrar, Warsaw; Miss Lucy Bridgers, Mr. Willie Walker; Miss Jeanie Peck, Mr. George James; Miss Finch, Mr. Richard Meares; Miss Mary Allen Short, Mr. Preston Cumming; Miss Martin, Asheville, Mr. Geo. Catlett; Miss Lula Hawkins, Ridgeway, Mr. Robert Calder; Miss Belle Latimer, Mr. Samuel Potts.

RECEPTION TO THE LADIES.

Masons Are Arranging for Magnificent Event to Be Given Later.

The following committees have been named by the several Masonic lodges in the city to arrange for the reception to the ladies of the city in recognition of their services in so valiantly assisting the order in the several benefit events recently given:

Invitation committee—Messrs. J. C. Munds, C. C. Brown and W. B. McKoy.
Refreshment committee—Messrs. J. C. Munds, T. J. Pratt and J. E. Matthews.
Decorative committee—E. O. Toomer, W. E. Springer, and W. A. Williams.
Music committee—W. P. Toomer, James H. Chadbourn, Jr., and C. H. Cooper.
Dancing committee—"Jack" Bellamy, Clayton Giles and Jim Munds.
Printing committee—J. W. Jackson, Iredell Meares and W. E. Storm.

Dr. W. E. Storm is chairman and Mr. John D. Bellamy, Jr., 3rd, is secretary of the joint committee of arrangements. A meeting of this committee will be held soon to decide upon a date for the reception.

Through Passenger Service.

The Atlantic Coast Line, the Seaboard Air Line and the Southern Railway will start their service from the East and North about January 14th. These three roads have made unusual preparations for the care of tourists who will enjoy only fast schedules and magnificent trains. The through passenger service to Florida this season will be the most complete, it is said, ever known and it will be a great race between these three systems for business and the laurels.

Hanover Lodge Election.

Hanover Lodge No. 145, I. O. O. F., elected the following officers at the regular meeting last night:

P. G.—E. N. Penny.
N. G.—C. F. Williams.
V. G.—C. R. Spooner.
Member General Relief Committee—B. W. Dunham.

These with the appointive officers will be installed next Friday night.

MR. JOS. W. TAYLOR DEAD.

Former Wilmingtonian Died Last Evening at Hahira, Ga.—Remains Will Be Interred Here.

Friends and relatives in the city last night received telegraphic news of the death of Mr. Jas. W. Taylor, formerly a resident of Wilmington but late of Hahira, Ga., which occurred last night at his home at 7:20 o'clock after a lingering illness as the result of a kidney trouble for which he had an operation performed in Atlanta some time ago.

Mr. Taylor was engaged here for years in the lumber business as a member of the firmer of Colville & Taylor and was later in the livery business. He removed some seven or eight years ago to Hahira and has since resided there. He is survived by six daughters one whom is Mrs. A. S. Holden, of this city. The others are Mrs. W. H. Newell, of Norfolk, Va.; Mrs. J. McEachern, of Jacksonville, Fla.; Mrs. J. F. Jones, of Newson, Va.; Mrs. J. F. Owens, of Hahira, Ga., and Mrs. J. J. Clemmons, now of Florence but late of Wilmington. Ason, Mr. Robert Taylor, died several years ago at Hahira and his remains were brought here for interment.

The remains of Mr. J. W. Taylor will also be brought here and interred in the family lot at Bellevue cemetery, arriving at 1.20 o'clock Sunday afternoon via the W. C. & A. railroad. At the request of the deceased Rev. J. W. Potter will conduct the service, which will be at the cemetery immediately upon the arrival of the train.

NEW CASHIER ARRIVED.

Mr. Andrew Moreland, of Charleston, Now With the Atlantic National Bank.

Mr. Andrew Moreland, the new cashier of the Atlantic National Bank, this city, arrived yesterday and entered at once upon the duties of his position. The *News and Courier* of yesterday, speaking of Mr. Moreland's departure from Charleston says:

"Mr. Andrew Moreland, who has been with the Carolina Saving Bank for a number of years, will leave Charleston to day for Wilmington, N. C., where he goes to accept the position of cashier in the Atlantic National Bank. The Atlantic National Bank is one of the strongest in North Carolina and is ably managed by President J. W. Norwood, who is well known in Charleston.

At the Carolina Savings Bank yesterday the clerks presented Mr. Moreland with a handsome silver-topped cane, suitably engraved. The cane was meant as a testimonial of the high esteem in which Mr. Moreland was held by his fellow workers.

NEITHER TEAM SCORED.

Cape Fear Academy Put Up a Plucky Game at Newbern Yesterday.

The foot ball game in Newbern yesterday afternoon between the Graded School team of that city and the Cape Fear Academy eleven of Wilmington resulted in a tie, neither team being able to cross the goal line. The contest was close and exciting and some splendid playing was done by members of each team.

The teams lined up as follows:

WILMINGTON.		NEWBERN.
Fischer	C.	Kafer
McCartney	L. G.	Vinson
Everett	R. G.	Tolson, J.
Hall	L. T.	Watson
Loughlin, C.	R. T.	Lupton
Galloway	L. E.	Stevenson
Dozier	R. E.	Hill, L.
Jordan	L. H. B.	Thomas
Montgomery	R. H. B.	Tolson, L.
Loughlin, J. J.	F. B.	Patterson, A.
Peschau, (Capt)	Q.	Patterson, J (Capt)

The Cape Fear Academy team will return home to day.

MRS. HARRISS ENTERTAINED.

In Honor of Her Guest, Miss Milton, of Hamilton, Va.

Mrs. W. N. Harriss charmingly entertained a number of her friends at tea yesterday afternoon and evening from 4 to 7 o'clock at her beautiful home, No. 118 North Third street, in compliment to her guest, Miss Nancy Milton, of Hamilton, Va.

The residence was handsomely decorated with holly, bamboo, cedar and other evergreens, and there were more than a hundred guests of the fashionable set of the city.

Mrs. Harriss was assisted in receiving by Mrs. D. M. Williams, and Mrs. Broadnax, and Mrs. H. L. Borden presided at the table assisted by Miss Eliza Bellamy, Miss Edith Boles, Miss Katherine Harriss and Miss Mary Jennings Bellamy.

Maxton is Prosperous.

Mr. J. W. Carter, one of the leading merchants of Maxton, is in the city. "Jack," as he is universally known among his friends, talks entertainingly about Maxton and its prospects. The bank recently established, the Electric Light Company, the Telephone Exchange and other enterprises are all doing well and the people of the town and surrounding country are in better financial condition than they have been for many years. Mr. Carter says Major Ed. MacRae will retire from the hotel business January 1st, and that Mr. Walter S. McNair, who recently bought the McCaskill House, has remodelled and fitted it out in first-class style. Under Mr. McNair's management it has quickly won the reputation of being one of the best hotels in the State.

Bound Over to Court.

Henry Wright, the negro who was arrested for the larceny of two pairs of shoes from the shop of Frank McKoy, colored, was tried yesterday by Mayor Waddell and bound over to Criminal Court in the sum of $50, in default of which he was committed.

THE TAX HEARING.

Another Busy Day in the Hearing of the Railway Tax Assessment Cases.

PENDER COUNTY WITNESSES

Again Occupied the Whole of Yesterday's Session in Standing Master's Court. Citizens of Brunswick and Bladen Will Testify To-day.

The effect of yesterday's session of the standing master's court in the railway tax assessment cases was simply to increase the great volume of testimony regarding the value of real estate, which has already made the case famous for the magnitude of the investigation bearing upon it and which has made it one of the most expensive, if indeed, not the most expensive litigation in the history of the State. The testimony of all the witnesses yesterday was materially the same as that given on the day before. The witnesses were all from Pender county and were summoned at the instance of the Corporation Commission. During the day John H. Gore, Jr., Esq., joined the counsel for the State and Bruce Williams, Esq., of Burgaw, assisted in the cross examination for the railroads. The hearing yesterday lasted practically all day from 9:30 A. M., until 7 o'clock last evening with the exception of about an hour's recess for dinner at 2 o'clock.

The sessions are very tedious but the work is being rushed with all possible dispatch. In the future two stenographers will be employed. Miss Shrier will serve during the morning sessions and Mr. Eugene Ivins in the afternoon.

The following witnesses were examined during the day: Isaiah Carroll, G. F. Jordan, J. E. Durham, G. B. Lee, Gibson James, J. E. Henry, J. A. King, W. H. Lucas, C. C. Woodcock, A. C. Ward, F. P. Flynn, A. R. Hilburn, W. J. Hollingsworth, F. B. Orr, assessors; K. F. Powers, chairman of the Board of Commissioners; F. P. Sidbury, A. T. Herring, commissioners; W. W. Alderman, sheriff; T. J. Armstrong, ex-Senator and member of the penitentary board; Gibson James, ex-Representative. All of these witnesses testified on direct examination that the real and personal property in Pender county was assessed at its fair cash value or in other words at what it would bring at voluntary cash sale; that they knew of no purpose, design, agreement or custom to undervalue property for taxation; that when property was undervalued it was by mistake or misjudgment and that they had heard of no such custom until the railroad investigations began.

Upon cross examination some of the witnesses admitted an undervaluation and confessed to instances where actual cash sales were made at figures in excess of the tax valuation. A number of them also stated that they would not sell their own property at its assessed valuation while others stated that they would.

Attorneys for both sides at the close of the day's work expressed themselves as perfectly satisfied with the result of the examinations.

Witnesses from Bladen and Brunswick counties will be examined to-day.

Marriage of Mr. J. D. Causey, Jr.

The Suffolk correspondent of the Norfolk *Landmark* of yesterday contains a very pretty account of the marriage at the residence of the bride's mother, Suffolk College, of Miss Marguerite W. Crump to Mr. J. C. Causey Jr. of Causey, S. C., a young man who is quite well and favorably known in Wilmington. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. B. Dunn according to the beautiful Episcopal service and the attendants were Capt. C. H. Causey, best man; Judge W. J. Kilby, bride's escort; Messrs. Sidney Ellis and Bradford Kilby, ushers, and Miss Florence Harvey, organist. The marriage took place in the study hall of the college which was elaborately decorated for the event. The bride and groom left immediately for a tour to New York and Washington, after which they will reside at Causey in Horry county, S. C., where Mr. Causey is engaged in the lumber business.

North Carolina Inventions.

Messrs. Davis & Davis, patent attorneys, of Washington, report the grant this week of the following U. S. patents to residents of this State:

No. 664,507—Pump, William F. Singer, Raleigh; assignor to the Automatic Ice Company, same place.

No. 664,508—Scaffold, Walter P. Smith & Allen Tennison, Salisbury.

No. 664,523—Die punch, George C. Answorth, Wilmington.

Knights of Mystic Chain.

An important meeting of the Knights of the Mystic Chain, of which there is a very large lodge here, was held last night for the purpose of considering the general welfare of those interested. A reporter inquired of a prominent local official of the order last night if there was anything from the meeting that would interest the general public. He replied that there was nothing whatever for publication.

To City Subscribers.

City subscribers are earnestly requested to report promptly at the STAR office every failure of the carriers to deliver their papers. In all such cases steps will be taken to insure prompt and regular delivery.

Statement of the Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.
WILMINGTON, N. C.
At close of business, Dec. 13th, 1900, condensed from Report to Corporation Commission.

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and Discounts	$208,105 63	Capital	$ 25,000 00
Real Estate	8,000 00	Profits—less expenses and taxes paid	27,797 98
Furniture and Fixtures	150 00	Deposits	205,654 49
Burglar Proof Safety Deposit Boxes	100 00		
Cash on hand and due from city banks	69,055 44		
Due from out of town banks	3,158 60		
	$285,468 47		$285,452 47

Interest paid to depositors 4 per cent. per annum, compounded quarterly. Money deposited now will bear interest from January 1st.
J. W. NORWOOD, President. H. WALTERS, Vice President.
C. E. TAYLOR, Jr., Cashier. dec 29 tf

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RED CRANBERRIES.
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JELLY, MINCE MEAT, RAISINS.
CURRANTS, CITRON.
SMOKED BEEF TONGUES.
We can't bake your cake, but can furnish the best of everything to go in it.
-:-Send me your orders.
-:-S. W. SANDERS-:-
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Third Quarter	13	5:42 p.m.	First Quarter	28	5:46 p.m.

The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SATURDAY MORNING, DEC. 29.

SOLVING A PERPLEXING PROBLEM.

The labor question, the relations of the employe to the employer, has been a perplexing question for years, and instead of becoming less, has become more perplexing. On one side we have had combinations of employers and on the other combinations of employes, but these combinations instead of helping to solve the problem by bringing the employer and the employed nearer together, did the very opposite by driving them further apart.

Efforts have been made to solve the problem by legislative schemes looking to boards of arbitration to decide disputes between employers and employed, but these looked ultimately to the use of force, if necessary, to compel one or the other of the disputants to yield. But this being compulsory, would be a mere makeshift, and would fail in the purpose aimed at, and did not take into account that there must not only be peace between the employer and the employe, but harmonious relations, without which there could be no satisfactory and effective settlement of that question.

Lockouts by employers, and strikes by employes have not solved it, but have driven the employers and the employed further apart and have cost both millions of dollars, the former in losses entailed by idleness of works, the latter in losses entailed by idleness of hands, which was not infrequently accompanied by much deprivation and suffering by the families of the strikers. This was the case when the strikes did not result in lawlessness, violence and destruction of property by which others in no way connected with either side suffered. When the strikes have been general, or involved the lines of transportation then thousands more suffered, because traffic was stopped and the whole country felt it more or less. This is why everyone is interested in the successful solution of this labor question and why every employer and employed person is especially interested.

We referred to this incidentally a few days ago when writing upon co-operation by railroads to protect themselves from the extortion of the Rail Trust, when we mentioned the system of pensioning employes adopted by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, and by the profit sharing system adopted several years ago by the Illinois Central Railway. These are two of the most successful railways in the country, both controlling a large amount of mileage and employing a large number of men. The former pensions the men who have been a long time in their service, or become incapacitated while in the service. The latter has adopted the profit sharing system giving each of the employes a per centage of the net earnings of the road, in the stock of the road thus making them personally interested in it. As this stock is at par or above it is equivalent to money or rather better than money, which might be soon spent, whereas the stock remains to their credit and continues to increase while they remain with the road.

Another great railway system of the Northwest is attempting the solution of this problem in a more general, comprehensive and far-reaching way than either of these, adopting the plan of the Pennsylvania company but going further and embracing everyone employed by the company in operating its lines, which embrace several thousand miles of track. The Chicago and Northwestern Railway Company employes 27,000 men, and it proposes to pension every one of them, regardless of the length of time he has been in the service, giving each one a certain percentage of his earnings for the year. It has come to the conclusion that a great corporation like that, having to deal with the vast interests committed to it, the business of its thousands of patrons, and with a great army of employes has not only privileges but duties to perform to the public and to the army of men who perform the responsible duties entrusted to them and without whose cheerful and intelligent co-operation they could not be well or satisfactorily performed. In speaking of its new departure the president of the company says:

"We may not have secured the best plan that could be devised, but we have formulated the best according to our abilities and knowledge. In its scope the pension system proposed, which will go into effect January 1, 1901, is the most sweeping yet effected by any American corporation in that it takes in every employe of the system from the highest to the lowest—there is no discrimination. The average number of employes of the road during the last twelve months has been 26,728, and if (as is fairly estimated) each has at least three persons dependent upon him or her, the number of those benefitted will be $80,000."

This comprehensive system makes every man in the service of the company from the highest wage earner to the lowest personally interested. When the employes reach a certain age or become incapacitated they are retired on a pension large enough to provide for their wants, and this is a stimulus to good behavor to retain their position and become entitled to the pension. At all events it shows the employe that he is looked upon as something more than a mere draught animal or a machine out of which so much work and as much as possible may be gotten for as little compensation as possible. In speak-further of this scheme and the motive that influenced the company in adopting it President Hughitt said:

"The sense of loyalty to a corporation has somewhat weakened in recent years. The employe has not felt as keenly as I think he should feel that the company's interests are his own. The labor union and the so called fraternal associations have taken his loyalty and centered it away from the corporation, and not in it. This pension system is a move to create new loyalty to draw corporation and employe closer together and to make their purposes nearer one. So far as I am concerned, I would be pleased to see all the stock of this company held in so many hands that the Auditorium would have to be secured for a stockholders' meeting and the officers appear there and each read his report on what was done during the year past. I would be pleased to see the stock in the hands of the people directly interested in the road or the country it passes through, and to see every employe of the road a part of the town, cities and homes scattered along the various lines of the company."

There is hard sense and farseeing wisdom in the plan that brings the employer and employed together, and is based on the principle of reciprocal interest, which when fully understeod will smooth the way to the settlement of the labor question and make it simple and easy.

The railroads, telegraph and express companies are in a position to carry out plans of this kind, because they have large revenues, have thorough system in their business, employ large numbers of men to whom employment is steadily given, and they all require intelligent, efficient labor, and for that reason are interested in securing this kind of labor and in retaining it when secured. And so could it be adopted by operators of coal, iron and other mines, and by manufacturing establishments doing a large business and employing a large force of workmen, and thus in time the system of taking the workman into account and regarding him as a live facter in the industrial world would become general, relegate the strike as a means of redress, make it a reminiscence and a relic of the stupidity that was so long in discovering something better to prevent it or to take its place.

TRYING TO FREEZE US OUT.

Several of the European countries have become much alarmed at the progress this country has made in trade expansion, and are asking the question what is to become of their trade if the Americans keep forging on as they have been doing for some years? European manufacturers have suffered from the competition of American manufacturers, not only in their home markets but in foreign markets where they once had full swing. And European farmers have felt the effects of American competition in supplying the food stuffs needed by the people over there. The question now is how can they hold the aggressive American in check and protect themselves from this profit-destroying and threatening competition.

Several suggestions have been made such as heavy import duties on American products, which would be paying the high protective tariff people of this country back in their own coin.

Another proposition is for a commercial federation betweeen European States, based on low tariffs on the stuffs shipped from one country into the other, thus stimulating trade between them, and to that extent cutting off American trade. This proposition originated in Germany, but has been taken up by some Frenchmen, who are alarmed at the strides the American traders are making. One of these, a noted economist, in speaking of the United States, says:

"They are on the point of becoming by far the most important economic factor in the world. They may henceforth be regarded as the first industrial nation, and their superiority will become more strikingly evident year by year. Moreover, they will very soon have a considerable mercantile marine."

He advocates an economic alliance as the only remedy and the only effective protection against American competition, before which he says the European manufacturer and trader must go down unless something be done to compel the pushing, self-assertive American to "shinny on his own side."

This may look like a visionary and impracticable scheme, as we believe it is, but the situation and the prospects are such in the estimation of a good many manufacturers and others over there that they grasp at any suggestion that points to relief. We couldn't blame them if they entered into such an economic alliance for self-protection, for didn't we set them the example when we adopted the high protective tariff and practically closed our ports against the products of those countries? We shut their products out and thus protected our producers against competition from them, and we would have no right to complain if they reciprocated in kind by practically closing their ports against products of this country, thus cutting off American competition.

"BENEVOLENT ASSIMILATION."

We have heard much about "taking up the white man's burden," the beneficence of the white man's rule, and all that kind of thing, but the beneficence of the white man's rule, as it is exemplified these days, means the ultimate extermination of the other man. As an illustration of Saxon rule in South Africa we quote the following from the London *Leader*:

"Beneath this outer husk there flourishes a foul and sanguinary despotism, concealing its veritable nature under a mask of well-simulated philanthropy. A huge trading monopoly founded upon slavery and forced labor, yet continually appealing, through its royal manager, to the empathy of nations. A tyranny degrading to white and black alike, which only subsists by draining the life-blood of thousands of miserable negroes, yet calls upon the Creator to witness the purity of its intentions. A rule, if it can be so called, at once incredibly incompetent and unscrupulous, maintained with difficulty by cannibal levies armed with modern weapons of precision, which, after fifteen years of mismanagement and sheer cruelty, is unable to keep order within a few miles of its principal administrative centers; which is particeps criminis in atrocities committed for the most sordid of purposes—monetary gain, and which has worked incalculable harm, materially and morally to European progress in the dark continent. That is the Congo State.

"The collective responsibility appertains to the Powers of Europe, who created the Congo State, and who, rent asunder by political differences in other parts of the dark continent, have hitherto observed the growing scandal, if not unmoved, at any rate powerless through mutual jealousy to interfere."

This is a benevolent assimilation inspired by territoral and commercial greed for gain. Following in the footsteps of Great Britian which has been taken as an exemplar by the expansionists of this country, we have been attempting something in the benevolent assimilation line, and have spent a couple hundred millions of dollars and sacrificed thousands of lives in trying to persuade nine or ten millions of people on the other side of the Pacific to like our rule better than their own. We are not making any more creditable showing or any better progress there than the British have made in South Africa where powder and shot are the agents of "benevolent assimilation," and misrule, and brutal oppression the resultants.

TWENTIETH CENTURY JOURNALISM.

Alfred Harmsworth, editor and proprietor of the London *Mail*, and several weekly papers in England, and one of the most successful of English newspaper publishers, is now in New York, where he gave an Associated Press reporter his views on American and European journalism. He paid a high tribute to American newspapers and their management, which in the main, he says, far surpass European papers. In speaking of the future progress of the press, and the journalism of the next century, he said:

"I feel certain that the newspapers of the 20th century will be drawn into the vortex of combination and centralization. In fact, given the man, the capital, the organization and the occasion, there seems to be no reason why one or two newspapers may not presently dominate great sections of the United States or almost the whole of Great Britain. In other words, where there are now a multitude of papers—good, bad and indifferent—there will then be one or two great journals. The method by which such journals would be established would be precisely those employed in the formation of the ordinary trust. Possessing its own cables, wires, dispatch boats and special trains, the simultaneous newspaper concern would soon have its own paper mills, printing-ink factories, machinery shops and the like.

"The simultaneous newspaper would represent a standard of excellence which has never before been attained, and with its vast resources would be able to carry out an unprecedented scale enterprises outside of the strict newspaper field."

This is interesting as coming from a leading English publisher, but we heard substantially the same prediction made twelve years ago, when the Trust plan had not made one-tenth the progress it has since made, by a North Carolinian, who is now dead. There are indications pointing to this now, for some of our so-called "great dailies" are owned and controlled by combines, and are simply their organs. In some respects the Newspaper Trust might be an improvement on the present system of a multitude of papers, but it can never fill the field, for local papers are a necessity, and it would be a bad day for the country when one combine controlled the press.

Story of a Slave.

To be bound hand and foot for years by the chains of disease is the worst form of slavery. George D. Williams, of Manchester, Mich., tells how such a slave was made free. He says: "My wife has been so helpless for five years that she could not turn over in bed alone. After using two bottles of Electric Bitters, she is wonderfully improved and able to do her own work." This supreme remedy for female diseases quickly cures nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, headache, backache fainting and dizzy spells. This miracle working medicine is a godsend to weak, sickly, run-down people. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50 cents. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. †

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One of the witnesses who testified against Caleb Powers, charged with complicity in the assassination of Governor Goebel, of Kentucky, now swears that he swore falsely, that he was bribed and kept full of rum by the fellows who wanted him to do the swearing. The oath of a fellow who swears on both sides like that isn't entitled to much credence, even when swearing against himself.

Queen Wilhelmina is taking the reins in time and proposes to reign over her husband-to-be Henry von Mecklenburg-Schwerin, who is fond of his tod. When they came down to business the first thing she did was to make Schwerin swear off.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Goldsboro *Argus*: One negro killed another at Eureka on Christmas day by the deliberate discharge of a gun which he was told was loaded, but which he professes he did not believe was loaded. He is in jail here to await trial at the coming term of court.

— Tarboro *Southerner*: John Parker, who, Saturday, at Falkland, shot and killed Alex. Little, has been caught. Parker made his way to Washington, intending to go to Cuba. Before he could get away he was caught and taken back to Pitt county where he is now in jail.

—Mount Airy *News*: News reaches us of a killing at a distillery, about six or seven miles above this place, on the Piper Gap road, Saturday night, by some revenue officers supposed to be from Virginia. The name of the man who met his death so cruelly was Snow—son of James Snow. The decease died instantly after being shot. Why the officers killed him we have been unable to learn. It is likely he resisted arrest.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: Mr. W. T. Battley, formerly of Fayetteville, died yesterday at his home near Carthage, aged about 65. He was third sergeant in Company H, of the famous Bethel regiment. —— Mr. W. C. McPhail, well known to our merchants and many of the older citizens of Fayetteville, died at his home in Shannon Christmas afternoon in the 69th year of his age.

— Durham *Sun*: As a result of a hunt on Christmas day, Moses Cole, aged about 12 years, son of Mr. and Mrs Moses Cole, was accidentally shot and killed by a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Ed. Cole. The accident occurred about four miles west of Durham. Both of the boys started to shoot at a covey of birds which had been flushed. The other young Cole fired first, the load of the weapon taking effect in young Moses Cole's head, causing instant death.

— Salisbury *Truth-Index*: Mr. P. Alexander Brown, who has been spending a few days at Asheville, says snow was falling when he left. —— Robert, the 12 year old son of Mr. Thomas Waller, met with a very serious accident Monday afternoon while hunting larks, and incidentally proved himself a lad of rare nerve and presence of mind. While shooting his gun the breech pin flew out, striking the lad just above the right eye. The wound made in the skull was two inches long and a half inch wide. The boy pluckily pulled the breech pin out of his brain himself. Professional assistance was secured and when last heard from the patient was doing well.

—— Operations of the Federal navy take an additional magnitude and importance with each succeeding year, and the time, is probably not far distant when a round $100,000,000 annually will be needed to run the Navy Department. The Naval bill to be reported to the House after the holiday recess carries $87,000,000 as against $65,000,000 for the current Government year. A World Power must not only possess a great navy, but must also use it to the utmost in asserting supremacy in distant seas. —*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

Prevented A Tragedy.

Timely information given Mrs. George Long, of New Straitsville, O., prevented a dreadful tragedy and saved two lives. A frightful cough had long kept her awake every night. She had tried many remedies and doctors but steadily grew worse until urged to try Dr. King's New Discovery. One bottle wholly cured her, and she writes this marvelous medicine also cured Mr. Long of a severe attack of Pneumonia. Such cures are positive proof of the matchless merit of this grand remedy for curing all throat, chest and lung troubles. Only 50c, and $1.00. Every bottle guaranteed. Trial bottles 10c at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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TWINKLINGS.

— "A wise man changes his mind, but a fool never does." "Then my wife must be a second Solomon."—*Chicago Chronicle*

— Mrs. Wabash—"Lobsters never did agree with me." Mrs. Dearborn—"And yet you married one."—*Yonkers Statesman.*

— "Simpson is a trifle obstinate, isn't he?" "Obstinate! He wouldn't get out of the way if he met a cast iron safe tumbling up stairs."—*Chicago Record.*

— "That politician is as stubborn a mule." "Yes," answered Senator Sorghum; "the trouble about him is that he hasn't as much pull as a mule." *Washington Star.*

— First Actor—"It was a case of Greek meeting Greek last night." Second Actor—"How was that?" "You know what a bad egg our comedian is?" "Yes." "Well, he was struck by another just as bad."—*Brooklyn Life.*

— A Field for the Imagination: Mrs. Fussinge—"All sorts of stories are going around about the Spilkinses." Mrs. Snoop—"No wonder! They've been living in the neighborhood a month and nobody knows anything about them."—*Puck.*

— Guest—"Roast veal or roast chicken, eh? Which costs the most? The chicken, I suppose." Waiter—"It's all the same, sir. This is a table d'hote dinner, you know." Guest—"I know, but I want to get my money's worth."—*Philadelphia Press.*

— The feminine code: Daisy—"Oh, yes, she wrote him that they must part for ever and ever, but she didn't mean it." Dolly—"How do you know?" Daisy—"Because she did not underscore it, you silly."—*Baltimore American.*

— "Good morning, Mr. Cassidy," said the undertaker's humorous friend. "I suppose business is dead with you?" "Faith, it is so," replied Cassidy, with great seriousness: "I haven't buried a livin' soul for nearly a month."—*Philadelphia Press.*

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— A writer in the Boston *Transcript*, who has been visiting the Vermont villages, says that all of the men and boys with whom he came in contact were habitually and profusely profane, and that many of the little village churches are without ministers. What has become of the old Puritan spirit in New England, anyhow?—*Baltimore Herald, Rep.*

—— There is nothing incredible in the story that General MacArthur advises the offering of a bonus of $250 a man to induce volunteers now in the Philippines to re-enlist, and the situation brings the hopeful suggestion that if the men in power will not end the war the people themselves may, by refusing to fight. It would of course be in some sense a shameful spectable to see a great nation unable to make war because its citizens refuse to enlist, but in another sense it would add glory to the people who constituted the nation. Incidentally John Bull is offering $1.25 a day to men to "police" South Africa. When fighting ceases because the men who are expected to do it refuse then indeed will the universal peace that the Czar of Russia wants to be established on a firm and enduring basis. —*Philadelphia Times, Dem.*

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BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute	8	@	8¼
Standard	8	@	8½
Burlaps	6	@	6½
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔	15½	@	14
Sides ℔ ℔		@	8¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔	8	@	8½
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔	7½	@	8
Shoulders ℔ ℔	7	@	7½
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each		@	1 40
Second-hand machine		@	1 40
New New York, each		@	1 45
New City, each		@	1 45
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	6 75	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔	20	@	25
Northern	27	@	30
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks	50	@	52½
Virginia Meal	50	@	52½
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle		@	1 45
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	8	@	11
CHEESE—℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory	13	@	14
Dairy Cream	15	@	16
State	11½	@	12
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra	11	@	12½
Rio	9½	@	11
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	5¼
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 ℔s		@	70
FISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl.	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl.	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 75	@	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	7 50	@	8 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5	@	10
" Extra	4 25	@	4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔—			
Low grade	3 25	@	3 50
Choice		@	3 75
Straight		@	4 00
First Patent	4 50	@	4 75
GLUE—℔ ℔	10	@	11
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bgs—White	52	@	60
Mixed Corn	55	@	56
Car-load, in bgs—White		@	52½
Oats, from store	35	@	37½
Oats, Rust Proof	40	@	42
Cow Peas		@	65
HIDES—℔ ℔—			
Green salted		@	6¼
Dry flint	10	@	11
Dry salt	9	@	10
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s			
No 1 Timothy	90	@	95
Rice Straw	40	@	50
Eastern	85	@	90
Western	80	@	85
North River		@	90
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	2½	@	2¾
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern	6¾	@	8¾
North Carolina	9	@	10
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15	@	1 20
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	@	15 00
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogshead		@	25
Barbadoes, in barrels		@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	28	@	30
Porto Rico, in barrels	25	@	32
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12	@	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14	@	15
Syrup, in barrels	15	@	25
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis		@	2 35
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess		@	14 50
Rump		@	14 25
Prime		@	14 25
ROPE, ℔ ℔	11	@	22
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		@	1 25
Liverpool	90	@	95
American	90	@	95
On 125 ℔ Sacks		@	63
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd	5¼	@	5¾
Standard A		@	5⅝
White Extra C		@	5½
Extra C, Golden		@	5¼
C Yellow		@	4¾
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3¾	@	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping	8 00	@	9 00
Common mill	4 00	@	5 00
Fair mill	5 00	@	6 00
Prime mill	6 50	@	7 50
Extra mill	8 00	@	9 00
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed			
℔ M 6x24 heart	4 25	@	5 00
" Sap	3 00	@	3 25
5x20 Heart	2 25	@	2 50
" Sap	1 60	@	1 75
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon Northern	1 00	@	2 10

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

[Quoted officially at the closing by the Produce Exchange.]

STAR OFFICE, December 28.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.20 per bbl for strained and $1.25 for good strained.

TAR—Market steady at $1.30 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market dull at $1.30 per barrel for hard, $2.30 for dip, and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine firm at 48@47½c; rosin firm at $1.10@1.15; tar steady at $1.25; crude turpentine firm at $1.50@$2.80.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	34
Rosin	289
Tar	248
Crude turpentine	10

Receipts same day last year.—34 casks spirits turpentine, 149 bbls rosin, 49 bbls tar, 27 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market quiet on a basis of 9⅛c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	6 13-16 cts. ℔ lb	
Good ordinary	8 3 16	" "
Low middling	8 13-16	" "
Middling	9⅛	" "
Good middling	9 9-16	" "

Same day last year middling steady at 7c.

Receipts—788 bales; same day last year, 232.

[Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants.]

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 70c. Extra prime, 75c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 80c. Virginia—Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c.

CORN—Firm, 58 to 60 cents per bushel for white.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tidewater) 85 cents; upland, 50@60 cents. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 12½ to 14c per pound; shoulders, 8 to 9c; sides, 8 to 9c.

EGGS—Steady at 20 cents per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 20@22 cents; springs, 10@15 cents.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25 cents.

TALLOW—Firm at 5½@6½ cents per pound.

TURKEYS—Live, dull at 8 to 10c; dressed, 12½ to 15c.

SWEET POTATOES—firm at 47½ to 50c.

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Money on call firm at 3@6 per cent., the last loan being at 3 per cent.; ruling rate was 5½ per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4½@5½ per cent. Sterling exchange firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at 485 for demand and 481¼@481½ for 60 days. Posted rates were 482 and 486. Commercial bills 480½@481. Silver certificates 64½@65½. Bar silver 63¾. Mexican dollars 50. Government bonds strong. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds strong. U. S. refunding 2's reg'd, 106½; U. S. refund'g 2's, coupon, 107½; U. S. 2's, reg'd, —; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 111½; do. coupon, 111¾; U. S. new 4's, reg'd, 138¾; do. coupon, 138½; U. S. 4's, old reg'd, 116¾; do. coupon, 117¼; U. S. 5's, reg'd, 114¾; do. coupon, 114¼; Southern Railway 5's 114½. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 82½; Chesapeake & Ohio 41¼; Manhattan L 114½; N. Y. Central 143¼; Reading 24½; do. 1st pref'd 70¼; St. Paul, 143¼; do. pref'd, 186; Southern Railway 21⅜; pref'd 73¼; American Tobacco, 112½; do. pref'd 135; People's Gas 104; Sugar 140¾; do. pref'd 116; T. C. & Iron 64; U. S. Leather 14⅝; do. preferred 77; Western Union 83½. Standard Oil 808@810

BALTIMORE, December 28.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 10@10¼; preferred 27¼@28⅝. Bonds—4's 70@71.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Rosin steady. Spirits turpentine quiet at 39@39½c.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 28.—Spirits turpentine firm at 35c; sales — casks. Rosin firm and unchanged.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 28.—Spirits turpentine firm at 35½c; sales 650 casks; receipts 1,949 casks; exports 146 casks. Rosin firm and unchanged; sales 3,070 barrels; receipts 7,833 barrels; exports 6,636 barrels.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Quite general buying of the near positions and absence of support in the late cotton months, with selling pressure from abroad, caused a widening of the parity between these respective options in to-day's market. Taken as a whole, speculation was feeble. So far as investment business was concerned very little was done. Room traders were handicapped by conflicting reports in circulation concerning the long and short interest in the January option, now the center of attraction. On the opening, the market was quiet with prices one to four points lower under light room and some foreign selling, all based upon the easier turn of the Liverpool market and under more liberal showing of receipts. Soon after the call, near month shorts took fright on rumors that January was to be forced considerably higher. The claim that 20,000 bales December notices had been issued and eagerly gathered in by export and spot cotton houses helped to give the market a steadier undertone. Prices readily responded to the change in the feeling and as Liverpool quickly rallied to conform with our firmness a substantial net rise was soon recorded. January climbed to 9.62 and December was also much firmer. Europe sold the far months as a hedge against large holdings in the Winter positions, with the result that the options tapered off slowly. Early afternoon developments were discouraging, large estimates for to-morrow's receipts leading to selling. December and January shorts were restless, however, and covered on all the easier periods. The close was quiet with prices four points lower to eight points higher.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Cotton dull; middling uplands 10 5 16c.

Cotton futures market closed quiet: December 10.13, January 9.56, February 9.38, March 9.37, April 9 29, May 9 28, June 9.25, July 9.19, August 8.93, September 8.37, October 8.01.

Spot cotton closed dull; middling uplands 10 5-16c; middling gulf 10 9-16c; sales — bales.

Net receipts 1,763 bales; gross receipts 9,924 bales; exports to Great Britain 200 bales; exports to the Continent 617 bales; stock 80,168 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 37,367 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,854 bales; exports to the Continent 7,906 bales; stock 1,000,614 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 224,768 bales; exports to Great Britain 88,906 bales; exports to France 33,378 bales; exports to the Continent 58,705 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 4,453,534 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,619,384 bales; exports to France 365,003 bales; exports to the Continent 1,127,735 bales.

December 28.—Galveston, easy at 9 7 16, net receipts 8,015 bales; Norfolk, dull at 9 7 16c, net receipts 1,602 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 10c, net receipts 1,492 bales; Boston, dull at 10 5 16c, net receipts 1,793 bales; Wilmington, firm at 9⅛c, net receipts 788 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 10 9 16c, net receipts 225 bales; Savannah, quiet at 9 5 16c, net receipts 3,952 bales; New Orleans, steady at 9⅜c, net receipts 15,868 bales; Mobile, quiet at 9 3-16, net receipts 511 bales; Memphis, steady at 9 9-16, net receipts 2,310 bales; Augusta, quiet at 9⅛c, net receipts 430 bales; Charleston firm at 9⅛c, net receipts 544 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Dec. 28.—Flour was steadier with wheat, but no more active as buyers still lack confidence. Wheat—Spot firm; No. 2 red 79c f.o.b. afloat. Options opened easy, owing to continued bearish sentiment on the government report, but quickly rallied on covering and remained strong for the balance of the day. Demand was prompted by adverse Argentine cables, higher cables, export buying and fair clearances. Closed firm at ¼@½c advance. The sales included: No. 2 January closed 77¾c; March closed 79⅛c; May closed 79c; December closed 77⅞c. Corn—Spot steady; No. 2 45½c at elevator. Options were steady and held firm all day on moderate receipts, fair clearances, firm cables, poor grading and the strength in wheat. Closed firm and partly ⅛c net higher. January closed 43⅜c; May closed 42; December closed 45⅛. Oats—Spot steady; No. 2 28c. Options were neglected but firmly held. Pork dull. Lard steady; Western steam $7 25; refined firm; continent $7 40; South American $8 00; compound 5⅞@6c. Butter steady; Western creamery 17@25; factory 11½@16c; State dairy 16@23c. Eggs quiet; State and Pennsylvania 24@25c at mark, for average lots; Western regular packing 19@22½c. Cheese firm; fancy large, fall made 11¼@11½c; small fancy, fall made 11¾@12c. Petrolem firm. Rice firm. Potatoes quiet; Jersey $1 00@1 37½; New York $1 25@1 62½; Long Island $1 50@1 75; Jersey sweets $1 75@2 75. Tallow quiet. Molasses steady. Cabbages quiet. Cotton seed oil easier again, with sales at lower prices, principally for local account: Prime crude, in barrels, 26; prime summer yellow 28½c; off summer yellow 28c; prime white 33½@34½c; prime winter yellow 36@36½c; prime meal $24 50. Coffee—Spot Rio steady; No. 7 invoice 6⅝c; mild quiet; Cordova 9½@13½c. Sugar—Raw steady; fair refining 3⅝c; centrifugal, 96 test; 4⅜c; molasses sugar 3⅜c; refined quiet.

CHICAGO, December 28.—Firm cables, lighter receipts and a reduction in Argentine shipment caused a rally in wheat to-day; May closed ½c over yesterday. May corn closed unchanged and May oats ½c higher. Provisions at the close were 2½@10c better in price.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Cash quotations: Flour dull and easy. Wheat—No. 2 spring —c; No. 3 spring 68@71c; No. 2 red 72@74½c. Corn—No. 2, 36½c. Oats—No. 2 22⅞@23¼c; No. 2 white 25½@26c; No. 3 white 25@26c. Pork, per barrel, $11 00; Lard, per 100 lbs, $6 75. Short rib sides, loose, $6 25@6 50. Dry salted shoulders, $5 87½@6 12½. Short clear sides, boxed $6 65@7 75. Whiskey—Distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 27.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 December 69¾, 70⅜, 69¼, 70⅜c; January 69⅞@70, 70@70⅝, 69¾, 70⅝c; May 72⅞@73⅛, 73⅛@73⅜, 72⅞@73⅛, 73⅛c. Corn—December 36⅜, 36¼, 36⅜, 36⅛; January 36¾, 36⅝@36⅞, 35⅞@36, 36⅛@36⅛c; May 36@36⅛, 36⅛@36⅛, 36, 36⅛c. Oats—December 21⅛, 21⅞, 21¼, 21⅛c; January 21¾, 21⅞, 21⅛, 21⅛c; May 23⅛, 24, 23⅛, 23⅞. Pork, per bbl—January $13 07½, 13 20, 13 07½, 13 20; May $13 15, 13 35, 13 15, 13 32½. Lard, per 100 lbs—December $6 87½, 6 87½, 6 80, 6 82½; January $6 70, 6 77½, 6 70, 6 77½; May $6 87½, 6 92½, 6 87½, 6 92½. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—January $6 32½, 6 30, 6 32½, 6 30; May $6 35, 6 40, 6 35, 6 40c.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—31 bales cotton.

W. C. & A. Railroad—666 bales cotton, 4 casks spirits turpentine, 72 barrels rosin, 52 barrels tar, 8 barrels crude turpentine

A. & Y. Railroad—6 casks spirits turpentine, 24 barrels rosin, 144 barrels tar.

W. & N. Railroad—8 bales cotton, 6 casks spirits turpentine, 142 barrels rosin, 2 barrels crude turpentine.

C. C. Railroad—17 bales cotton, 51 barrels rosin, 42 barrels tar.

Steamer Compton—16 bales cotton, 18 casks spirits turpentine, 10 barrels tar.

Total—Cotton, 788 bales; spirits turpentine, 34 casks; rosin, 289 barrels; tar, 248 barrels; crude turpentine, 18 barrels.

FOREIGN MARKET.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, December 28, 4 P. M.—Cotton—Spot, limited demand; prices 1-32d lower; American middling fair, 5⅞d; good middling 5 9 16d; low middling 5 9-32d; middling 5 15-32d; good ordinary 5 1 32d; ordinary 4 25-32d. The sales of the day were 6,000 bales, of which 500 bales were for speculation and export and included 5,100 bales American. Receipts 12,600 bales, including 11,000 American.

Futures opened quiet and closed steady. American middling (l. m. c.) December 5 26 64d seller; December and January 5 22 64d buyer; January and February 5 19 64d buyer; February and March 5 16 64d seller; March and April 5 13 64d buyer; April and May 5 10-64@5 11-64d seller; May and June 5 8 64d seller; June and July 5 5 64@5 6 64d seller; July and August 5 2-64@5 3-64d buyer; August and September 4 51 64d buyer.

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Truly "it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder."—Philadelphia Times.

The Advance of Time.

The age of man, we are told, is threescore years and ten. From 25 to 40, if the health be good, no material alteration is observed. From thence to 50 the change is greater. Fifty-five to 60, the alteration startles; still we are not bowed down. In the earliest periods of our life the body strengthens and keeps up the mind; in the later stages of it the reverse takes place, and the mind keeps up the body; a formidable duty this and keenly felt by both. Such is time's progress.—Scottish American.

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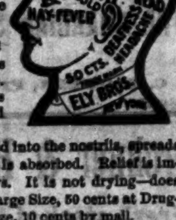

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This 30th November, 1900.

M. F. CROOM,
Administrator David D. Southerland.
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OUR TWO OPINIONS.

Us two wuz boys when we fell out,
Nigh to the age uv my youngest now.
Don't rec'lect what 'twuz about;
Some small diff'rence, I'll allow.
Lived next neighbors twenty years,
A-hatin each other, me 'nd Jim,
He havin his opinyin uv me,
'Nd I havin my opinyin uv him!

Grew up together 'nd wouldn't speak;
Courted sisters 'nd marr'd 'em, too;
'Tended same meetin house oncet a week,
A-hatin each other through 'nd through.
But when Abe Linkern asked the west
F'r soldiers we answered, me 'nd Jim,
He havin his opinyin uv me,
'Nd I havin my opinyin uv him!

Down in Tennessee one night
Ther wuz sound uv firin fur away,
'Nd the sergeant allowed ther'd be a fight
With the Johnnie Rebs some time next day.
'Nd as I wuz thinkin uv Lizzie 'nd home
Jim stood afore me, long 'nd slim,
He havin his opinyin uv me,
'Nd I havin my opinyin uv him!

Seemed like we knew there wuz goin to be
Serious trouble f'r me 'nd him;
Us two shuck hands, did Jim 'nd me,
But never a word from me or Jim.
He went his way, 'nd I went mine,
'Nd into the battle's roar went we,
I havin my opinyin uv Jim,
'Nd he havin his opinyin uv me!

Jim never came back from the war again,
But I hain't forgot that last, last night
When, waitin f'r orders, us two men
Made up 'nd shuck hands afore the fight,
'Nd after it all it's soothin to know
That here I be 'nd yonder's Jim,
He havin his opinyin uv me,
'Nd I havin my opinyin uv him!

—Eugene Field.

CAPTIVE WILD ANIMALS.

Their Restlessness Due to the Natural Craving For Exercise.

It is a common saying among keepers that, averaging one animal with another, a menagerie must be renewed every three years. Yet I know of one manager who kept most of his animals, those of Woodward's gardens, San Francisco, alive, healthy and happy from the beginning of his time to the end, 16 years later, when the establishment was broken up, and the animals were ordered to be shot in their cages. The great secret of his success, he tells me, was caring for their minds as well as for their bodies.

Many a man shut up in a cell has saved his mind by inventing some trifling amusement. It is recorded that one set a daily watch on the movements of a spider. Another tried how many times he had to toss five pins before they fell in just the same way. Another tried to run ten miles each day in his narrow limits. Yet another busied himself inventing new arrangements for the two or three articles of furniture in his cell. Many have paced up and down each day for a number of hours. And whatever they did all alike were seeking to put in time, to while away the awful tedium of their monotonous lives, to respond to the natural craving for exercise and to save their minds and bodies from actually withering from disuse.

If instead of "human captives" we read "*wild* animals" in all this, we shall have a very fair portrait of what we may see every day in an ordinary menagerie. Why does the elephant swing to and fro forever from his chain picket? Why does he gather from the floor all the straw he can reach, throw it over his back and over the stable, to be regathered later? Why does the squirrel enter and work for hours the aimless treadwheel and the marten leap listlessly half a day from point to point—floor, perch, slat, box; floor, perch, slat, box—again and again with monotonous sameness day after day? Why does the lone ostrich waltz far more than does his wild kinsman that has many admiring spectators of his own kind, and why do the fox and the wolverene trot miles and miles of cage front every day? Why does the bear roll and tumble for hours over the same old wooden ball as if it were a new found chum or if no ball is supplied swing back and forth on pivotal hind foot for hours each day? Why does the rhinoceros keep on forever nosing at some projection that his horn can almost fasten under till it gets more and more elusive through the smoothing of perpetual use? Why do wolves and monkeys put in hours and hours over humble duties that in their wild state were the work of a few minutes at most?

To all the answer is the same as to the similar query about the man prisoner. They are putting in time. They are responding to the natural craving for exercise. They are trying to pass the tedium of their hopeless lives. They are doing anything, everything, their poor brains can suggest to while away the weary drag of dull, eventless days. Their bellies are well cared for or at least are always plentifully cared for, but how few keepers have learned that in each animal is a mentality, large or small, that ought to be considered.—Ernest Seton-Thompson in Century.

They Drove There.

A couple of members of the Blue Pencil club of New York, which is composed of Gotham's wisest, fliest and most traveled citizens, came to this city last week on a business mission. After attending the theater they determined to call upon a friend at the Pen and Pencil club. They did not know the exact location of the club and started out to find it. After hunting for some time the couple finally addressed a cab driver and asked the way to the club. "I'll drive you both there for 50 cents," the driver said. "Here's your money," they replied. "Now hurry up."

When the New Yorkers had climbed in, the cabman slammed the door shut, mounted his seat, turned the horse about and crossed the street, traversing a distance of about 15 feet. "Here you are, gentlemen," said he, pointing the dazed New Yorkers to the brilliantly lighted club entrance.—Philadelphia Record.

A Luscious Potato.

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The largest salt producer in this country is New York state. It and Michigan furnish nearly 12,000,000 barrels annually or within 5,000,000 of the entire production in the United States.

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Elopements Are Rare In France.

Runaway marriages are not contrived easily in France. No one in that country ever reaches an age when the law permits him to do away with the consent of parents and guardians. If orphans desire to marry, they must show the death certificates of their parents and have the written consent of their grandparents. If there should be no grandparents living, their death certificates must be produced, and so on among the various relatives of the intending bride and bridegroom, the consent of the conseil de famille (family council) beings absolutely necessary in all cases.

Early Intelligence.

Sunday School Teacher (finishing the narration)—And that is the story of Jonah and the whale.

Johnny—Isn't it strange they knew what a Jonah was that long ago?—Harlem Life.

Merely Curious.

Stranger—I noticed your advertisement in the paper this morning for a man to retail imported canaries.

Proprietor of Bird Store—Yes, sir. Are you looking for a job?

Stranger—Oh, no. I merely had a curiosity to know how the canaries lost their tails.—Chicago News.

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Previous to 1834 the house of commons was lighted by candles which were affixed to massive chandeliers.

DID NOT CHASTISE HIS WIFE.

His Intentions Were Good, but the Woman Weighed 300 Pounds.

"Mawnin, jedge!"

He was an old, undersized darky with lips like a pair of purple radishes. He had a determined look in his eyes as he shuffled up to the desk at the police court the other day and doffed his hat with an air of old fashioned southern courtesy.

"Good morning, Sam. What can I do for you this morning?" said the judge.

"I jes' wants to inquiah what a man gets dat done whip his wife."

"He ought to be hanged," said Justice Hall severely.

"But dat ain't what I wants to know, jedge. I wants to find out what de sentence o' dis coht am. Don't keer nuffin 'bout what he oughta git."

"Well, if a man was brought up before me charged with beating his wife I surely would give him the limit, and that would be $50 and costs."

"But dispose a man had provocation, jedge; dispose he was jest fohced to it, what would it be?"

"If the provocation was very great, I might make it $10," admitted the judge.

"Das all right, jedge; das all right, an I'ze suah willin to pay dat fer de privilege o' knockin thundah out o' dat ole 'ooman o' mine." The old fellow went down into the pockets of his ragged trousers and began to haul out dimes, nickels and pennies and pile them up on the desk before the astonished justice.

"What's this for?" inquired the judge.

"Dat's to pay my fine, jedge. I specs to be befoh de coht tomawoh fer whippin my ole 'ooman."

The judge put the money into an empty tobacco bag and laughed quietly to himself.

The next morning an old negro scarcely recognizable as the one who had been in the day before edged his way up through the crowd of prisoners before the judge's desk. He had one arm in a sling, an eye bound up and court plaster crossed on different parts of his countenance. With the well hand he carried a cane to steady himself, as one leg was sadly in need of repair.

His name was not on the docket, but he watched his chance and caught the judge's eye.

"Mawnin, jedge."

"Good morning, Sam. Did you carry out your evil design of yesterday?"

"No, sah, jedge. Dat's jest what I'ze come to tell you about. I'ze done changed my min' about whippin my ole 'ooman, an I'ze come to git my money back. De ole 'ooman an me has done made up. Dah she am, jedge, dat la'ge, han'some lady in de reah o' de coht."

He pointed to a colored woman that weighed in the neighborhood of 300 pounds and stood nearly six feet tall, who displayed a double row of ivories as she smiled broadly.

The judge gravely handed the old negro the bag containing his $10. He said nothing, but watched the old fellow force his way painfully through the throng to his waiting better half and deposit the bag in her outstretched hand. Then she took him by the well arm with a not too gentle grasp and led him out into the world.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

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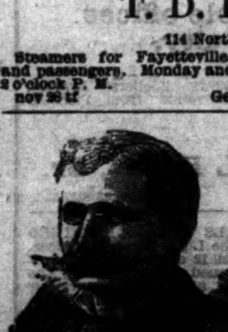

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DAILY 7.00 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.35 P. M., Warsaw 8.45 P. M., Goldsboro 9.37 P. M., Wilson 10.30 P. M., †Tarboro 6.45 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.22 P. M., Weldon 1.00 A. M., †Norfolk 10.35 A. M., Petersburg 2.37 A. M., Richmond 3.23 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.39 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M., New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.35 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.12 P. M., Newbern 6.40 P. M.

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DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.58 P. M., Chadbourn 5.30 P. M., Marion 6.40 P. M., Florence 7.25 P. M., Sumter 9 12 P. M., Columbia 10.35 P. M., Denmark 6.55 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M., Charleston 10.55 P. M., Savannah 2.45 A. M., Jacksonville 8.30 A. M., St. Augustine 11.12 A. M., Tampa 6.45 P. M.

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DAILY 9.00 A. M. No. 53—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12 05 P.M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.43 P. M.

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DAILY 6.00 P. M. No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.03 P. M., New York *9.25 P. M., Philadelphia 12.09 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 9.48 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M., Rocky Mount 12.52 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.30 P. M., Warsaw 4.22 P. M., Magnolia 4.35 P. M.

DAILY 9.20 A. M. No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9 35 A. M., Philadelphia 11.33 A. M., Baltimore 1.46 P. M., Washington 3.12 P. M., Richmond 6.50 P. M., Petersburg 7.25 P. M., †Norfolk 2.20 P. M., Weldon 9.05 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.15 A. M. Leave Wilson 5.57 A. M., Goldsboro 6.45 A. M., Warsaw 7.39 A. M., Magnolia 7.51 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.25 A. M.

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DAILY 1.25 P. M. No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 9.50 A. M., Sanford 2.20 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.30 A. M., Charleston 6.48 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.20 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.29 P. M., Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.55 P. M., Florence 9.55 A. M., Marion 10.25 A. M., Chadbourn 11.41 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.12 P. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 7.25 P. M. No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 3.05 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 4.20 P. M., leave Fayetteville 4.30 P. M.

*Daily except Sunday.

Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.05 A. M., Maxton 9.15 A. M., Red Springs 9.51 A. M., Hope Mills 10.55 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 11.10 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.45 P. M., Hope Mills 5.00 P. M., Red Springs 5.43 P. M., Maxton 6.12 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leaves Rocky Mount 7.15 A. M., arrive Weldon 8.17 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 18 A. M., arrives Richmond 11.10 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.17 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11.00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7 50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.10 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.00 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 6.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 7.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 8.25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9.30 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.20 A. M., 4.03 P. M., Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.25 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.20 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 11.45 A. M.; 5.25 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 12.10 A. M. 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leaves Warsaw for Clinton, daily, except Sunday, 11.40 A. M. and 4.25 P. M. Returning, leaves Clinton 6 45 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.13 A. M., arrive Latta 10.31 A. M., Dillon 10.42 A. M., Rowland 10.58 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.06 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.28 P. M., Latta 6.42 P. M., Pee Dee 7.08 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.15 A. M. Chadbourn 11.50 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 7.35 P. M., Manning 6.04 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.43 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 5.40 A. M., †7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 10.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 6.30 A. M., †4.15 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.00 A. M.; †5.35 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M., Cheraw 11.30 A M., Wadesboro 12.35 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.00 P.M.; arrive Darlington 8.25 P. M., Bennettsville 9.22 P. M., Gibson 10.20 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.50 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M.

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Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.50 P. M., 10.40 P. M., arrive Selma 2.48 P. M. 11.18 P. M., Smithfield 3.02 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M., Fayetteville 4.25 P. M., 12.39 A. M., Rowland 6.06 P. M. returning leave Rowland 10.58 A. M., Fayetteville 12.20 P. M., 10.22 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 11.35 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.35 P. M., 12.13 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.05 A. M., Creston 4.54 A. M., arrive Denmark 5.55 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.29 P. M., Creston 5.32 P. M., Sumter 6.24 P. M. Daily.

Trains leave Creston 5.45 A. M., arrive Pregnalls 9.15 A. M. Returning, leave Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrive Creston 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.15 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 1.50 P. M., arrive Elliotts 3.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

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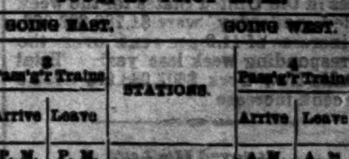

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....	3 40	Goldsboro........	11 05	....
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5 40	5 50	Newbern.	8 57	9 08
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P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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SATURDAY MORNING, DEC. 29.

THE MOVEMENT OF COTTON.

Secretary Hester's Statement—Receipts, Stocks and Exports—The World's Visible Supply.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW ORLEANS, December 28.—Secretary Hester's weekly New Orleans Cotton Exchange statement shows for the twenty eight days of December an increase over last year of 309,000 bales. For the 119 days of the season that have elapsed, the aggregate is ahead of the 119 days of last year 608,000 bales.

The amount brought into sight during the past week has been 339,650 bales against 255,398 for the seven days ending this date last year, and for the twenty eight days of December, it has been 1,611,896 against 1,302,742 last year. These make the total movement for the 119 days of the season from September 1 to date, 6,430,847 against 5,822,440 last year.

The movement since September 1st shows receipts at all United States ports 4,469,864 bales, against 3,905,383 last year; overland across the Mississippi, Ohio and Potomac rivers to Northern mills and Canada 665,104, against 607,105 last year; interior stocks in excess of these held at the end of the commercial year 724,538, against 836,389 last year; Southern mill takings 571,558, against 583,455 last year; foreign exports for the week have been 182 876, making the total thus far for the season 3,120,605, against 2,500,887 last year.

Northern mill takings and Canada during the past seven days show a decrease of 17,050 bales as compared with the corresponding period last year, and their total takings since September 1st have decreased 350,892. The total takings of American mills (North and South) and Canada thus far for the season have been 1,629,000, against 1,996 816 last year.

Stocks at the seaboard and the twenty-nine leading Southern interior centers have increased during the week 45 295.

Including stocks left over at ports and interior towns from the last crop and the number of bales brought into sight thus far for the new crop the supply to date is 6,552 381.

The World's Visible Supply.

Secretary Hester's statement of the world's visible supply of cotton shows the total visible is 4,073,393 bales, against 4,294 476 last year. Of this, the total of American cotton is 3,406, 393, against 3,635,476 last year, and of all other kinds including Egypt, Brazil, India, etc., 667,000, against 690,000 last year.

The total world's visible supply of cotton shows a decrease compared with last year of 221,083.

Of the world's visible supply there is now afloat and held in Great Britain and continental Europe 1,798, 000, against 1,890 000 last year; in Egypt 170,000, against 194,000 last year; in India 277,000, against 350,00C last year; in the United States 1,828,- 000, against 1,960,000 last year.

MAIL POUCHES STOLEN.

Containing, It is Estimated, $100,000 in Negotiable Paper, Etc.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

DETROIT, Dec. 28.—The Michigan Central depot at Wyandotte, a suburb of Detroit, was the scene of a bold mail robbery some time last night, when a pouch containing, it is estimated, $100,000 of negotiable paper, checks and money, was stolen from the waiting room.

Two sacks of mail and a pouch of second class matter were dropped on the platform by a south bound Michigan Central train. Night operator Richer, it is supposed, took the two bags, and, instead of carrying them to the ticket office where the mail is usually kept, allowed them to lay in the waiting room. Richer lives in Detroit.

The rifled mail sack was found behind a tank belonging to the Standard Oil Company, about two hundred feet from the depot.

COMPARATIVE COTTON STATEMENT

For the Week Ending Friday, December 28th, 1900.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 28.—The following is the comparative cotton statement for the week ending December 28, 1900:

	1900.	1899.
Net receipts at all U. S ports during the week	224,768	171,448
Total receipts to this date	4,452,534	3,882,663
Exports for week	180,989	111,478
Total exports to date	3,112,122	2,505,027
Stock in all U. S. ports	1,000,614	1,122,228
Stock at all interior towns	798,593	790,867
Stock in Liverpool,	635,000	739,000
American afloat for Great Britain	276,000	136,000

AFFAIRS IN HAYTI.

President Simon Sam Delivers Impassioned Address, Threatening His Enemies.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

KINGSTON, JA., Dec. 28.—President Tiresias Simon Sam, of Hayti, delivered an impassioned address December 16th, deprecating the efforts of his enemies to discredit his government in the eyes of the United States and other nations.

He said he knew who his enemies were and that he would watch them carefully until the expiration of his term of office in 1903.

Advices from Hayti say the speech made an elegant impression and that the country is tranquil.

Total bank clearings at the principal cities in the United States for the week ended yesterday were $1,786,322,089; an increase of 11.9 per cent. over the corresponding week last year. Total outside New York $607,958,975 or 4.5 per cent. increase.

It Saved His Leg.

P. A. Danforth, of LaGrange, Ga., suffered intensely for six months with a frightful running sore on his leg, but writes that Bucklen's Arnica Salve wholly cured it in ten days. For Ulcers, Wounds, Burns, Boils, Pain or Piles it's the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25c Sold by R.R. BELLAMY, druggist. †

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VIOLENT STORMS ON ENGLISH COAST

Much Damage Wrought and Many Disasters to Vessels Are Reported.

HURRICANE AT QUEENSTOWN

Steamers Wrecked—A British Barque Driven on the Rocks and Dashed to Pieces—Only One Man of the Crew of Thirty-five Saved

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, December 28.—Much damage has been wrought by a recurrence of violent storms in the channel. The fury of the gale caused a suspension of the continental service across the channel this afternoon. The hurricane is increasing at Queenstown, where the observers say it is the fiercest storm in years. The Maria, laden with coal, sank at her anchorage. The mails are delayed.

Reports from all the coast towns announce damage done by the storm. Vessels in numbers are seeking shelter in the harbors and a number of minor wrecks have been announced.

The British barque Primrose Hill, from Liverpool December 23rd, for Vancouver, was driven on the Penrhos rocks, not far from Holyhead. She had been drifting up the channel under bare poles. She broke in two and went to pieces in a few minutes. One man out of the crew of thirty five men was saved by a lifeboat of the coast guardsmen.

The Spanish steamer Escuri last reported from Bilbao, sought shelter in Portland Roads, and was driven ashore on the Portland breakwater. The Weymouth life boat attempted to rescue her crew and it is believed they can be saved despite the fearful seas running.

The British bark Pegasus, from Queenstown, December 26, for Sharpness, which was incorrectly reported to have foundered with loss of her crew, grounded off Lavernock point, but she was subsequently floated and towed to a place of shelter. In lowering her boats five men were precipitated into the water and all but one drowned.

The British barque Queen of Cambria, from Tocopilla, August 30th, for Falmouth, while being towed into Falmouth, was blown accross the bows of the British barque Crown of India. The latter vessel suffered damage to her head, and the Queen of Cambria was cut down to the water's edge. She has been beached and is leaking.

A Spanish steamer was driven ashore at the Portland breakwater. The Weymouth life boat attempted to rescue her crew, but the fearful seas running prevented them.

The British steamer Penpol from Sulina, November 23rd, for Dublin, is ashore on the sands between Aberavon and Briton Ferry. No fatalities have occurred.

The British steamer Rosefield, which arrived at Antwerp, December 23nd from Pensacola, lost part of her deck load on the voyage.

LONDON, December 29.—Incessant reports of innumerable shipping casualties show that the gale was one of the worst known in many years. Probably several days will elapse before the extent of the damage becomes known. In addition, some vessels, not yet identified, have been wrecked or placed in great danger. The fate of some cross channel steamers is in doubt.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The steamer Zesiro collided with another steamer near Clivedon, in the Bristol channel. A lifeboat rescued nine of the crew. At Watch harbor near Taunton, the breakwater was wrecked and the tremendous sea caused several vessel to break adrift; two foundered, five others were driven into a hopeless tangle and ground each other. The damage may reach many thousand pounds.

The Austrian bark Capricon was driven ashore near Bude, Cornwall. Nine of the crew were drowned, one was saved and four are still aboard, with little likelihood of being rescued. Two other vessels are ashore on the Cornwall coast.

Several were stove in at Ilfracombe harbor. The barque Ragna was wrecked off Trevine, near Cardiff, three of her crew being drowned and nine being rescued by rocket lines.

H. M. S. Black Prince at Queens town and H. M. S. Teaser at Portsmouth were both badly damaged.

Wales appears to have suffered the worst effects of the gale both on land and at sea.

INDIANA WHITE CAPPERS.

Suit for $200,000 Damages Against Citizens of Washington County.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., December 28—D. A. Jennings, of Columbus, Ohio, has filed suit in the United States Court against about twenty citizens—men and women—of Washington county, Indiana, for $200,000 damages. He claims they white-capped him on January 30th, 1900, and persecuted him and his family until they were forced to leave the State. Jennings says he ran a newspaper in Salem, in which he had $15,000 invested. He claims the people of the county are so intermarried that they control all the social, religious and political institutions. They undertook, he alleges, to control the policy of his paper and he opposed them. False charges were made against him in the local courts, he says, and the court costs alone took every dollar he had. The women, he says, undertook to get his wife to join in the conspiracy against him.

LYNCHING IN ALABAMA.

Negro Hanged in Perry County by a Body of Masked Men.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

MONTGOMERY, ALA., Dec. 28.—George Fuller, a negro, was lynched last night near Marion, Perry county. Wednesday night the barn of Dennis Cummings was burned, together with several hundred bushels of corn, a large amount of forage and seven mules. Fuller had been a tenant of Cummings and had made threats concerning a settlement. He was arrested and while on his was to Marion, a body of masked men took him from the officers and hanged him to a tree.

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BLOODY DUEL BETWEEN NEW YORK GAMBLERS.

One of the Combatants Wounded—A Bystander Was Killed and Another Man Shot Fatally.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, December 28.—In a duel between two gamblers in a Harlem cafe, early to-day, one of the combatants was hit in the leg, one bystander was killed and another fatally wounded. The duellists were Myles McDonald and Thomas Kennedy. George Price was shot and died later, after accusing McDonald of the shooting. Kennedy received a bullet in the leg. Edward Courteney, formerly a bar-tender for Kennedy, was mortally wounded. He declares McDonald fired the fatal shot. Charles McMullen, sometimes going under the name of William McGinnis, also is reported to have been shot. The wounded men were carried off before the police arrived. The trouble between McDonald and Kennedy grew out of the former winning $1,000 in Kennedy's pool room on a ten to one shot some time ago. In court McDonald said he and Kennedy had been drinking and became involved in a quarrel. "Kennedy," said the prisoner, "knocked me down and held me on the floor until he became convinced that I had no revolver. Then he let up and as I started for the door three shots were fired. I wheeled around and drew my own gun, which Kennedy had not discovered. Then I shot into the crowd at the bar."

McDonald was arrested some time ago on the charge of cutting off the ear of a man named Walsh, who had run away with some of his money. The ear was exhibited afterwards on the wall of one of the establishments McDonald is reported to own.

EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION.

Addresses by Prof. Winston, of North Carolina A. & M. College, and Dr. Barringer, Virginia University.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RICHMOND, VA., December 28.—The executive committee of the Southern Educational Association met this morning, no general session being held until to-night, and were addressed by United States Commissioner of Education Harris, on the "Relations of Universities and Colleges to Public Schools," and Professor Woodward, of South Carolina College, on "Drawbacks to Educational Organization."

The report of the organization committee appointed two years ago for the reorganization of the association, was continued until next meeting, a year hence.

Some routine business was then transacted and the committee adjourned.

When, to-night, the association convened in general session, the largest crowd yet assembled was present. Professor G. T. Winston, of the North College of Agriculture and Mechanic Arts, spoke on "Industrial Education at the South," and Dr. Paul B Barringer, of the University of Virginia, on "Education of the Negro in the South."

Both addresses were discussed at some length.

The question of the next place of meeting was referred to the executive committee for final advice. It lies between Columbia, S. C., Charleston, S. C., Asheville, N. C., and Knoxville, Tenn.

The following officers were elected:

President—Hon. G. R. Glenn, of Atlanta.

Vice President—Chancellor R. B. Fulton, of Mississippi.

Secretary—Professor P. P. Claxton, of Greensboro, N. C.

Treasurer—Hon. F. L. Stuart, of Knoxville, Tenn.

Resolutions appealing to the people of the South to make greater efforts for educational advances were adopted, and at 12.35 the convention adjourned sine die.

To-morrow the members will visit Newport News and Hampton.

In the department of higher education, Prof. Addison Hogue, of Washington and Lee University, spoke on "the greatest need of Southern Education."

Professor Harrison Randolph, of the College of Charleston, S. C., on "the Private College and Public Scoool." and Chancellor Kirkland, of Vanderbilt, on the "State of Education."

In the department of normal schools Professor P. P. Claxton, of the State Normal and Industrial College of North Carolina, spoke on "the Function of the Normal School.

THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Boers Declare That It Will Last for Years. That a Revolt of Afrikanders in Cape Colony is Certain.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

ROME, December 28.—Major Grower Botha, brother of Commander General Louis Botha, has arrived in Rome on his way to The Hague. He carries dispatches for Mr. Kruger. He said to-day that the war in South Africa would last for years; that Mr. Steyn had planned the invasion of Cape Colony and that a revolt of the Afrikanders was certain.

DeWet Holds His Position.

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 28.—The Yeomanry, who were captured near Dirstown, have been released.

Gen De Wet's attempt to break through to the south has been frustrated and he is now reported to be at Senekal Wal commando, holding the country between Ficksburg, Senekal and Winburg.

General Knox is holding the country between Ladybrand and Winburg.

The eastern parties of invading Boers are being constantly harrassed and driven back toward Orange river.

JOHANNESBURG, Dec. 28.—The Boers damaged the new Kleinfountein and Chimes batteries yesterday.

Lacks Confirmation.

LONDON, December 28.—Persistent reports are in circulation in London and on the continent that General DeWet has been captured. The British chartered South Africa Company received this information from a source which it is accustomed to place implicit confidence. The War Office, however, is without any confirmation of the report.

BLIZZARD IN COLORADO.

Fears Expressed for the Safety of Miners Working in the Mountains.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WALSENBERG, COL., December 28.—A blizzard has been raging here the past thirty-six hours. Fears are expressed for the safety of the miners who are working in the Corando and other mines on Mount Blanco. They are penned in at an altitude of 11,000 feet.

CHINESE EMPEROR AND THE POWERS

Believed That a Counter Proposition Will Be Made to the Ministers.

NO ADVICES FROM CONGER.

Chinese Embassy in Washington Thinks That the Terms of the Joint Note Are So Harsh That It Will Be Difficult to Accept.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 28.—The Chinese embassy here is without information on the reports that Emperor Kwang Su does not approve the demands submitted by the Powers. For some days, however, the view has prevailed in Chinese quarters that the terms were so harsh that it would be difficult to secure their acceptance. A report was in circulation in diplomatic quarters that one of the Chinese envoys was opposed to accepting the terms, but it is not known whether this report came from any authoritative source. It was understood, also, that Li Hung Chang's illness might have some effect in retarding the negotiations.

The State Department has received nothing from Minister Conger to indicate that the Emperor opposes the acceptance of the peace terms. The officials continue to be hopeful of an early acceptance. The points referred to as objectionable to the Chinese, chiefly the maintenance of the legation guards, are not regarded here as likely to form serious barriers to an agreement, as all of the Powers, probably, will give visible evidence, at an early day, of their purpose to reduce the legation guard as soon as China shows good faith in accepting the conditions.

In some diplomatic quarters it is believed that the reported opposition of the Emperor will not lead to a rejection of the demands, but to the submission of a counter proposition or inquiry from China. This would save to China her right to accept the terms at a later period, while in the meantime seeking to reduce their severity.

Waldersee's Expeditions.

BERLIN, December 28.—The War Office has received the following dispatch from Count Von Waldersee:

Pekin, December 27.—A column commanded by Major von Madai will start to morrow for San Ho Hsein to co operate with the Grucher expedition, which left Tien Tsin, December 19th, for Yuen Tien Tsien. An American detachment will leave Pekin to morrow via Hiang Ho Hsien with the same object.

The Chinese who were defeated by the French, December 22, fled in a southerly direction.

A New Emperor.

LONDON, December 29.—"Private advices from the province of Shan-Si say," wires the Shanghai correspondent of the *Standard*, "that while the court was sojourning at Tai Yuen Fu the Empress Dowager secretly appointed a new Emperor, with the title Tung Hsu. He is a fifteen-year old boy, who was taken to Sian Fu in the imperial yellow chair. This explains the permission given to Emperor Kwang Su to return to Pekin.

"Emperor Kwang Su has notified the reform party that he is returning to the capital and will need their assistance."

AUDITOR MORRIS' SUCCESSOR.

Appointment Tendered Fred Rittman, a Friend of Senator Hanna.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 28.—The President has tendered to Fred Rittman, of Cleveland, O., the position of fourth auditor of the Treasury, made vacant by the tragic death of Auditor Morris. He is a life-long friend of Senator Hanna. He is expected to take charge next week.

The condition of Samuel McDonald, who killed Auditor Morris, was considerably worse to-day. The change is due to a renewal of his efforts to thwart the measures necessary to his recovery.

WARM WIRELETS.

Of the several New York Exchanges, only one, the Coffee Exchange, will be closed on Monday next. The others will do business as usual.

The Holland Society, of New York, received a cablegram from The Hague saying that Queen Wilhelmina's marriage has been set for February 7th.

The steamer Canada, with Lord Roberts on board, arrived at Gibraltar from South Africa yesterday. The field marshal landed and received a great ovation.

A conference of representative clergymen and laymen was held in Philadelphia for the purpose of inaugurating the movement to suppress vice in large cities.

Vester Griffin, who shot and killed Georgia King on the night of July 30th last, was hanged yesterday at Danville, Va. Griffin and his victim were colored.

A Nassau, N. P., dispatch says the schooner James G. Beach (James G. Beecher?) went ashore on Grand Bahama island December 22nd. Wreckers are assisting her.

The threatened strike of employes of the Wilkesbarre and Wyoming Valley electric railway will not take place, the company and men having made an amicable arrangement.

The Ottoman government has contracted for the construction of the Ottoman battleship Assar-I Tewfik, at Germania, Kiel, at a cost of 370,000 pounds.

Storms of extreme violence have swept the west and northwest coasts of France. There has been some loss of life together with considerable damage to shipping.

About 1,700 people employed in the stemmery of the Continental Tobacco Company, Louisville, went on strike yesterday. They demanded an advance of 25 cents a hundred for stemming.

Capt. R. B Pegram, division superintendent of the Southern railroad at Memphis, has been appointed assistent general manager of the Southern Railway, with headquarters at Washington, D. C.

The British steamship Homeric, cotton laden for Mexico, which went ashore Christmas day, near Miami, Fla., was floated yesterday, and is being towed to Key West by the tug Albert F. Dewey.

Mail advices from Barbados report that incendiarism is rampant there. Thirteen cane fields and house premises were burned during the week ending December 16th. The planters are alarmed and are securing police protection.

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"A SLAP FOR ENGLAND."

German Criticism of the Nicaragua Canal Controversy and the Hay-Pauncefote Treaty.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

BERLIN, December 28.—The *Kreuz Zeitung*, conservative, the chief mouth-piece of the government, whose editorials are often prepared by government officials, devotes two long articles to-day to the Nicaraguan Canal controversy, pronouncing the Davis amendment of the Hay-Pauncefote treaty a "slap for England."

"Treaties could not be more recklessly brushed aside than they have been in this case by the United States Senate," says the *Kreuz Zeitung*.

"This disregard of the law of nations, which had already been manifested during the peace negotiations with Spain, is in the highest degree regretable. It is a counterpart of England's treatment of the Boer republics.

"President McKinley's administration has been placed in a highly disagreeable position, inasmuch as the action of the Senate is a grave provocation to England and it is impossible to face the anti-English feeling in the country. The administration could not thus wound Yankee pride.

"If the President adopts the Senate's position, England will have a moral right to prepare a Fashoda for the United States; but judging from previous experiences, she will not do so."

EXPLOSION OF DYNAMITE.

Terrible Accident at a Railroad Camp. Six Men Killed and Several Others Seriously Injured.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

KEYSER, W. VA., Dec. 28.—One of the most disastrous accidents in the history of railroad building in this section happened at Brake camp, near Durbin, Pocahontas county, on the line of the coal and iron railroad now building out from Elkins. As the result of a dynamite explosion six men are dead and several others are not expected to live. The accident happened at noon yesterday while the men were at dinner. Some dynamite had been placed about the stove to thaw out and shortly after a terrific explosion wrecked the camp, killed three men outright and injured eight others, three of whom have since died. The dead men were blown into atoms, legs, arms and hands, and other parts of their bodies being found in different directions from the little building in which they lived among the wild mountains. Physicians hurried from Greenbank and worked all night with the wounded, some of whom begged the doctors to shoot them instead of helping them to live to be blinded or maimed for life. On account of indirect connections with the camp it is impossible to secure the complete details to night.

IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Insurgent Strongholds Attacked by Americans—MacArthur's Proclamation.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, December 28.—A pushing campaign has been carried on by the Fortieth infantry during December in Northern Mindana. The town of Jemenis was captured, as was also an insurgent stronghold in the mountains further inland. The coast town of Langarin was captured by a detachment of a hundred troops, who scattered the enemy located in that vicinity, killing and capturing a good number. A portion of the troops thus engaged have returned to Cagayan and joined in the campaign which Brigadier General Kolbe is personally conducting.

General MacArthur's proclamation is resulting in many arrests of alleged insurrectionists in Manila and vicinity, a few of those taken into custody being prominent. One prisoner was shot dead and another wounded in attempting to escape.

A request was received at the State Department yesterday from Governor Pingree, of Michigan, for the extradition of Charles G. Thompson, who is charged with forgery committed in Detroit. Thompson is now in Cuba. The papers have been forwarded to the War Department.

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760 Bushels Best Corn.
210 Bushels Va. Meal.
98 Bags Kiln Dried Grits.
W. B. COOPER,
dec 22 tf 208, 210 and 212 Nutt street, Wilmington, N. C.

The Cost Sale Continues, and I am Giving the people of Wilmington the
Greatest Values Ever Offered.
Remember everything goes for first cost, and the goods are certainly being sold as advertised.
NOTE THE FOLLOWING PRICES:
Hawes' $3.00 Hats for $2.00
$2.00 Royal Hats - - - " 1.10
Monarch $1.00 Shirts - " .81
" 1.50 " - " 1.10
50c Neckwear reduced to 40c
25c Neckwear " " 18c
25c Half Hose " " 18c
Men's Suits and Overcoats at cost.
Boys' Knee Suits at cost.
Everything At Cost!
Nothing sent out on approbation or charged during this sale.
A. SHRIER, Men's Wear,
Bell 'Phone 565. 34 corner Front & Princess.
dec 27tf

Xmas Presents.
We have them. All the latest fads in Neckwear. You should see our inch and a half Four-in-Hand. It is strictly swell. Gloves dressed and undressed. Umbrellas for Ladies as well as gentlemen. Also, an elegant line of Canes, Silk and Linen Handkerchiefs, Fancy Half Hose in Silk and Lisle, and lots of other useful articles too numerous to mention. Underwear—wool, camel hair and fleece lined AT COST THIS WEEK. One of our elegant Viennas, Thibet or Cassimere Suits would be a nice Xmas gift.
M. H. CURRAN,
107 Princess Street.
dec 18 tf

$400,000.00 to lend on good security
By the ATLANTIC NATIONAL BANK.
With a larger combined capital, surplus and profits than any other bank in Eastern North Carolina, and the largest line of deposits in the State, the Atlantic National Bank has ample means to treat liberally customers offering satisfactory security.
J. W. NORWOOD, PRES. D. L. GORE, VICE-PRES.
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dec 13 tf

Something Delicious For Breakfast.
LARGE FAT MACKEREL, SEPTEMBER CATCH..... 12½c each.
You can't buy them elsewhere for less than 20 cents. They won't last long at this price. Don't wait until they are all gone before sending in your order.
THE KING GROCERY CO.,
Fourth Street Bridge. J. T. SHOLAR, Manager.
Both 'Phones 267.
dec 27 tf sat tu th

Toilet Paper,
5c Per Package.
$3.00 Per Hundred Packages.
S. & B. Solomon.
Wholesale. . . . Retail.
dec 27 tf

Select Your Xmas Presents Now From Us!
The Biggest and Best Line of
Furniture Of All Descriptions
Ever Exhibited in Wilmington.
THE SNEED CO.,
nov tf Second and Market streets.

Statement of Condition of
The Murchison National Bank,
Of Wilmington, North Carolina.
At the close of business December 13, 1900. (Began business March 1st, 1899.)

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and Discounts	$365,730 56	Capital Stock	$200,000 00
Stocks and Bonds	1,045 00	Profits less expenses	24,921 46
U. S Bonds	197,100 00	Circulation	146 650 00
Premium on U. S. Bonds	5,600 00	Deposits	432,130 91
Five per cent. redemption fund	7,750 00		
Revenue Stamps	453 07		
Office Furniture	250 00		
Cash on hand and in banks	234,753 11		
Total	$813,091 67	Total	$813,691 67

WE SOLICIT YOUR ACCOUNT.
We can Furnish you Every Accommodation Consistent with Safe Banking dec 22 tf

WHY DON'T YOU COME AND GET ONE?
OF OUR HOME SAVINGS BANKS, which we lend you free of charge. It will help you to save money you would not save otherwise. Try one of these banks and the amount you can save will surprise you.
REMEMBER, our next regular interest bearing period begins with the New Year. Deposits made now will draw FOUR PER CENT. from January 2nd, 1901.
THE GUARDIAN SECURITY, TRUST AND DEPOSIT COMPANY
(Opposite the Postoffice.)
H. C. McQUEEN, President. JNO. S. ARMSTRONG, Vice President.
dec 27 tf F. W. RICK, Cashier.

Kerchner & Harriss,
Fresh stock of Groceries.
Our line of goods consists of staple articles only. We have everything needed for Xmas trade.
Handsome $50.00 Doll will be presented
to largest purchaser of goods at our store from Monday morning, 17th, ending Xmas eve., 10 o'clock.
dec 16 tf

The Barber Shop.
It makes no difference whether the weather is hot or cold. You need a nice, clean, easy shave all the same.
We cut hair, too,
As well as shampoo.
SAUNDERS & DAVIS,
8 South Front street.
P. S.—Brush the gentleman cop e pie.
au 26 tf

D. O'CONNOR,
Real Estate Agent, Wilmington, N. C.
DWELLINGS, STORES AND OFFICES FOR RENT.
Money and Loan for sale on easy terms. Bonds, Taxes and Insurance attended to promptly. Money loaned on improved property. nov 1 tf